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Dear Josh:

We do not yet have our copy of the 26 March 1968 issue of D. Med. Wochenschr that was devoted to laboratory and clinical reports on the human disease from vervet monkeys, although we do have one on order. If we have the contents translated, I shall send you a copy.

The most recent references to work on the etiologic agent involved are:

- a. Zlotnik et al., "Structure of the Vervet-Monkey-Disease Agent," Lancet for 6 July 1968, pages 26-28.
- b. Zlotnik et al., "Growth of Vervet Monkey Disease Agent in BHK Cell Culture," Brit. J. Exptl. Path. 49(3):311 (1968).
- c. Kissling et al., "Agent of Disease Contracted from Green Monkeys." Science 160:888-890 (1968).

Both Lancet (27 April 1968 on pages 901-902) and the British Medical Journal (8 June 1968 on pages 575-576) have annotated comments on the series of German papers published in the 26 March 1968 issue of D. Med. Wochenschr.

Dr. Zlotnik - who is on the staff at the Microbiological Research Establishment at Porton - will be visiting Detrick on 26 and 27 August 1968. We have invited him to present a seminar on his work,

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and would be glad to have you attend if you are in this area at that time. This will probably be scheduled for the afternoon of 26 August. If you can make it, let me know. Should this not be convenient, you might wish to talk with Zlotnik while he is on the West Coast. I note from his itinerary that he will be visiting the Naval Biological Laboratories on 11 September, the Public Health Laboratories in Berkeley on 12 September, and the Hooper Foundation on 13 to 17 September.

Sincerely yours,

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